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Dear Dr. Kaczynski,

I was very pleased to receive your letter today and was both interested and surprised to read the brief synopsis of *Truth and Lies*.

These reactions auger well for a wider reception. I think your exegesis of family life can only be of significant interest. Most people doubtlessly expect an elaboration on the manifesto published by the *Times* and *Post* or an apologetic treatment of the campaign and its rationale. But I assume these are things you either touch on in the book, or have decided not to discuss. I trust your judgment on that score.

As for publishing the book "as is", that was something I took to be a given. Whether or not the book sells, it should be published *in toto*. Frankly, I do not care if I make money on this book, although I think it would do well. Perhaps it's the patina of my graduate work in literature — I still believe in making a contribution to society. You have made history. We have reached a point in history — Marcuse would say lamentably — where the truth of events that have transpired can be told without censorship. It is my job to disprove Marcuse and get people to read what you have written.

Please keep me informed as to the progress of your negotiations at other presses. I can tell you this, and will put the language in a contract: If I publish the book it will not go out of print.

I look forward to seeing your manuscript.

Yours truly,

*Dean Friedman*